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## Beijing Youth Camp International

Beijing Youth Camp International (BYCI), an outdoor camping and activities center in Miyun District, begins construction this month. The youth complex will help young people build physical fitness and mental health, encourage social responsibility and enhance youth communication between urban and rural areas, as well as China and the world abroad.

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# Denmark, China friends in energy

By Zhao Hongyi

Last week, 12 agreements were signed between Danish and Chinese institutes and enterprises to cooperate in the research of renewable resources such as wind and solar energy, marsh gas and other bio-fuels.

The two sides agreed to jointly research how to collect these renewable resources and incorporate them into national power grids.

Universities, private enterprises and those from the public service sectors from Denmark and China are involved.

Pia Olsen Dyhr, the Danish minister for trade and investment, said she was satisfied during her visit to Beijing.

"This can help China solve the issue of renewable resources," she said, "and help build up solid cooperation between the two sides."

"China has experienced heavy smog during the past several months," she said. "This shows China must turn to renewable resource as soon as possible."

"The involvement of public service sectors is very important to long-term cooperation."

The minister believes China has a huge market potential for renewable resources, and the market is open to all. Denmark can play an important role in this process.

"All this offers an opportunity for Danish enterprises to enter the market," Dyhr said.

The Sino-Danish Renewable Energy Development (RED) project, a cooperative institute set up by the two countries, will provide support to the newly established China National Renewable Energy Center (CNREC).

Prior to this, the Danish Energy Agency reached an agreement with CNREC to consult on energy development projects until 2050.

"I believe our two countries can cooperate in this field due to the fact that Denmark has unique technologies and expertise," said Martin Lidegaard, the Danish minister for Climate, Energy and Building. "And I hope to explore new projects in new energy development and climate combat in my visit to China later this year."

The agreements lay a solid foundation for the cooperation of Danish Energy Agency's Energy Technology

Development and Demonstration Program (EUDP) and China's Ministry of Science and Technology.

EUDP's cooperation with China focuses on wind power, intelligent grid design and green energy.

Denmark has been leading the world in renewable resource use. As much as 18 percent of the electricity it uses is from renewable sources.

Denmark expects to increase the percentage to 30 percent by 2020 and set up a renewable resources framework by 2050, totally eliminating the use of nuclear and fossil resources.

Major renewable resources in Denmark include wind power, solar energy and bio-energy.

Denmark signed another agreement with Nanjing, Jiangsu Province to set up a Danish high-tech zone in the city.

The zone will be built in accordance with Danish standards and invite Danish enterprises that are environmentally friendly and have bioscience know-how. Medical equipment and service providers are also welcome.

Authorities have promised favorable policies and capital support for these enterprises.

## Danish visa center opens in Chongqing



Ambassador Friis Arne Petersen presents the first visa to a girl from Chongqing at the opening day of the new visa office. CFP Photo

By Zhao Hongyi

The Danish ambassador to China, Friis Arne Petersen, was in Chongqing on April 18 to officially open the Danish Visa Center.

Afterwards, Danish tourism boards VisitDenmark and Scandinavian Tourism Board gave a seminar to Chinese stakeholders to promote travel to Denmark.

The Danish VIA University College presented solutions within childcare and eldercare education.

The new visa center is part of the Danish government's initiative to improve visa processes for travel to their country.

Applicants from southwest China no longer have to travel to Beijing, Shanghai or Guangzhou to apply for a Danish visa.

"I'm very pleased to open the new visa center in Chongqing and thereby improve the Danish visa procedures in an area with around 200 million people," the ambassador said. "I hope that we will see an increase in both business and tourists in the future."

The opening of the visa center comes after a hiring spree in which the Danish embassy is preparing to see an extra 6,000 applications to travel to Denmark this summer.

The visa center is run by the company VFS Global.

Denmark has an embassy in Beijing, three consulates in Shanghai, Guangzhou and Chongqing, and another two in Hong Kong and Taipei.

Unlike the other embassies and consulates, which accept visa applications and residence permit applications, the visa section in Chongqing will accept only Schengen visa applications.

In recent years, the number of Chinese tourists to Denmark has rapidly increased, reaching 100,000 people in 2012, including private tourists, group tourists and business tourists, according to China's Ministry of Commerce.

Denmark enjoys a great reputation among Chinese tourists, famous for its happy lifestyle, cutting-edge designs and the Little Mermaid statue.

In 2010 at the World Expo in Shanghai, Denmark displayed the Little Mermaid inside pavilion for 10 months, attracting huge crowds.

The new office is located in JW Marriott Hotel International Trade Centre Office's 3rd floor on 77 Qingnian Road, Yuzhong District, and will be open for applicants from 8 am to 2 pm every weekday.

# Sino-Korean 3D cultural exhibition marks 'sister cities'

By Liu Xiaochen

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of Seoul and Beijing becoming "sister cities," a 3D museum exhibition has opened at 798 Art Zone on Tuesday as part of the "Seoul-Beijing exchange year."

The museum was remade from an oil tank in the 751 D Park area. There are 3D wall paintings and floor paintings, a 360-degree 4D animation area, dancing robots imitating PSY and "living" oil paintings such as the "talking Mona Lisa."

Visitors are encouraged to take photos with these 3D works and share them with friends.

During the activity, a hip-hop delegation from Seoul brought street dance performances, featuring dance champion Ghost Crew. The performance also included traditional Korean folk dances.

Visitors can also enjoy the picture exhibition "Seoul Photo Gallery," which includes three themes: Street of History, Street of Culture and Street of Art. Cultural and tourist scenic spots of Seoul are displayed.

South Korea's traditional street snacks are available at snack booths for all visitors.

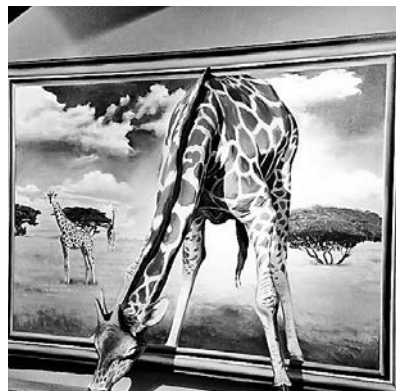
Park Won-soon, mayor of Seoul, watched the performance with visitors and sampled traditional Korean food.



3D museum exhibition



Mayor Park Won-soon taking an interview at the gallery.



Photos by Liu Xiaochen



# Beijing adopts residence permits to replace hukou



Crowds wait for the trains during the days before Spring Festival in Changchun, Jilin Province.

CFP Photo

By Zhao Hongyi

The Beijing municipal government has announced plans to scrap its use of hukou, a residency management system that has been in effect for the last six decades.

The new residence system would allow it to better control the number of Beijingers, said Fu Zhenghua, director of the municipal Public Security Bureau.

New permits would be tied to real estate and granted to anyone who owns a home in the city.

Population size controls would be delegated to district and county level governments, which are better able to supervise population flow, Fu said.

The route follows precedent established by the central government. All provinces are expected to transition to a similar residence management scheme.

Minister of Public Security Guo Kunsheng told police in Shouguang, Shandong Province that all provinces and cities should prepare for the switch.

Guo was on a visit to Shandong

Province this week.

Guangdong Province and Shanghai have already adopted the new system, improving the welfare coverage for their residents. Anhui Province also announced its intent to make the change this year.

As part of the reform, the municipal government will open up access to basic education, medical coverage, pensions and employment to registered residents.

The purpose is to better manage the population and let more people benefit from the nation's economic development.

Neighborhood committees will play a role in managing the registration of more than 1,000 households each.

"The neighborhood committee will have to change its function from management to a community service center," Song Guilun, director of the Beijing City Management Office, said in an interview broadcast on Beijing Radio.

Since the beginning of the 1950s, China has used the hukou system.

Hukou has categorized the population into two different parts: citizens and peasants.

The hukou system, which dates back to the 1950s, was designed to restrict people from mass migration.

In reality, there has been a huge shift to the city from the countryside since the 1980s.

Experts estimate that as many as 300 million individuals have moved to cities, particularly in the Pearl River Delta, Yangtze River Delta and metropolises such as Beijing, Shanghai and Guangdong.

Earlier in its history, hukou helped to stabilize population flow, promote production and crack criminal cases.

The municipal government is planning another 25 reforms this year, which would target water and traffic management, air quality, high tech industry, finance, culture and tourism. It also announced a more restricted budget in an effort to curb wasteful spending on banquets, cars and travel.

## Migrant school opens its new donor library

By Chen Nan

Children at Lengquan Community School had good reason to be excited about April 23, World Book Day 2013: it was the day their school got a library of its own.

Lengquan is one of hundreds of elementary schools catering to the children of China's migrants workers. It is also one of hundreds operating on a shoestring budget that does not allow for such luxuries as books.

The school, located in Xibeiwang Town, Beijing, was selected by the China Youth Development Foundation to be a recipient of the recent book drive initiated by Western Union.

The 31,000-book drive, which began during Spring Festival, pledged to match funds for every remittance sent to China from 21 select countries.

It also donated for every "Like" of its post about the campaign on Facebook and for every retweet about it on Twitter.

The campaign was popular on the social networks and resulted in the donation of 1,000 books to each province, a total value of \$50,220 (310,000 yuan).

"The 31,000 book drive for China's provinces received considerable support from our customers," said Drina Yue, managing director and senior vice president of Western Union, Asia-Pacific.

"We are pleased to see the campaign and the collaboration with Western Union prove to be successful," said Huang Lijing, general information director at the China Youth Development Foundation. "We believe that these libraries will stimulate our children's interest in knowledge, broaden their outlooks and lead them to a better future."

Yue said the assistance of CYDF's Hope Library project helped Western Union to make good on its promise to get the books into the hands of needy children across the country.

Wang Luqi, the young author of *Narcissus on Literature for Children*, attended the opening ceremony and spoke to the children about how to improve their storytelling abilities.



Wang Luqi and students from Lengquan Community School

Photo provided by West Union

## Mentors meet to discuss youth Internet use and abuse

By Liu Xiaochen

The National Youth Network for Psychological Mentors, the only agency of its kind recognized by the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security, recently announced plans to expand its support network.

The full-time volunteer organization has 2,000 "spiritual homes," wayposts for young Internet users, in some 100 cities. These service centers help connect young people and their parents with professional psychologists, who are better able to address the problems of mental health and addiction.

Directors of these homes in more than 80 cities met to formulate their annual work plan at the National Exchange on Helping Minors Prevent

and Overcome Internet Addiction on April 20.

The plans for 2013 involve providing more training to volunteer psychological mentors and to begin expanding to 10 new cities each year. The organization announced plans to train and recruit 1,000 full-time volunteer guides to help 10,000 families.

The latest mentoring program for young Internet users was created by Peng Liyuan, the First Lady, together with more than 20 members of the Chinese Peoples Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) at the NPC and CPPCC in 2007.

This year, 15 national ministries issued the call for legal recognition of Internet addiction professionals.

Zhao Jing, service center director for the China Youth Spiritual Growth Project, said Internet mentors help to compile and share psychological knowledge with young Internet users, which can help them to exercise self control when spending time online.

The mentors also arrange training classes for parents, computer teachers, educators, doctors and volunteers. Their prevention plans for Internet addiction are being made available to schools, parents and students.

Leaders from the Ministries of Education, Finance and Science and Technology, the Central Communist Youth League and the Academy of Social Sciences attended the exchange to share their expertise.





Construction began earlier this month on the Beijing Youth Camp International (BYCI), an outdoor camp and activities site in Miyun District. The youth complex, sponsored by the government, media organizations and private companies, aims to become a place that helps young people build physical fitness and mental health, encourages social responsibility and enhance youth communication between urban and rural areas, China and overseas.

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### About BYCI

Initiated by the Communist League Committee of Beijing, BYCI is a natural choice for young people seeking nature, social responsibility and healthy habits. The camp is determined to provide comprehensive outdoor training programs to youth in and out of Beijing, as well as countries around the world.

Chang Yu, secretary of the Communist League Committee of Beijing, is the chairman. Guo Wenjie, deputy secretary of the committee, is the executive chairman.

BYCI is owned in joint by five companies: Beijing Education Media of Beijing Youth Daily Group, Green Gloves Outdoor Sports, Aijia Investment Holding, Huawei Meilin Investment Holding and Beijing Wumingju Food. The five companies established Beijing Sunshine Outdoor Sports to operate the camp.

Under the supervision of the Municipal Communist League Committee and supported by the Miyun District government and Gelaoyu Village, BYCI broke ground in early April. It is expected to become a world-class campsite in three years, an ideal spot to teach youth the values of charity, teamwork and communication.

Beijing Education Media, along with the committee's Social Affairs Department, is responsible for the construction, planning and management, of the camp.

The main office is at the Beijing Youth Daily building. Beijing Education Media has a team of 30 to maintain the daily operation of the camp. The launching ceremony of BYCI is scheduled for June 1.

### Beijing Education Media

**One** talented team that understands both education and media;

**Two** ways – print and digital – to drive business;

**Three** papers: *Middle School Times*, *Beijing Children's Weekly* and *Beijing Today* (English), and a series of publications such as *News Mirror*, *Essay Box*, *Star Science Periodical* and *Little Soldier*. There are millions of subscribers.

**Four** students news groups – Middle School News Agency, University Students News Agency, Red Scarf News Agency and English News Agency.

**Five** training bases: Z51 real soldier combating ground, National Tennis Center, Olympic Water Park, Red Scarf Park and Banbidian Forestry Park.







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# International youth camps

By Liu Xiaochen



## Olympic Youth Camp

During the Stockholm Olympic Games of 1912, King Gustaf V of Sweden invited 1,500 young people from across Europe to camp on the competition grounds during the activities.

His invitation was the beginning of the Olympic Youth Camp (OYC).

Since the Tokyo Olympic Games of 1964, the OYC has been a core component of the cultural activities surrounding each Olympiad. The camp is a chance for young people to exchange and learn from each other in the Olympic atmosphere with a share their understanding of the Olympic ideals.

National and regional Olympic committees select campers between the ages of 18 and 22 based on their sports scores and attitudes.

Due to its continuous appeal, the OYC was recognized by the International Olympic Committee and formally incorporated as a part of the Olympics. Under the International Olympic Charter implemented on September 1, 2004, the Organizing Committee can organize a youth camp during the Olympic Games under the authority of the International Olympic Committee's Executive Committee.

Each OYC is held within the Olympic area. Participants are prohibited from using the event to spread political, religious or racial propaganda. The camping period is not allowed to exceed 25 days, and the number of campers no more than 1,500.



## National Youth Science Camp

When educators and corporate executives in the US expressed concern that public schools were not providing students with the instruction and encouragement to become future leaders in science and technology, the state of West Virginia responded.

National Youth Science Camp, founded in 1963, was directly supported by the state government for its first 20 years. Since 1983, the annual camp has been supported by the National Youth Science Foundation, a nonprofit corporation established to raise funding.

Since its inception, some 5,000 outstanding science students from the nation's top high schools have been selected to attend the NYSC and learn free of charge.

The foundation has developed a plan for expanded programs, such as Youth Science Discovery Experience, West Virginia Governor's School for Mathematics and Science, and West Virginia Youth Science Camp, to reach more bright young people each year from across the nation and around the globe.

These programs build connections between promising young scientists all over the world, change countless lives and motivate the talented to become science professionals. The foundation proposes bold and effective programming that can help meet the needs of global scientific leadership for generations.

## International Youth Camp on Astronomy and World Heritage

2009 was the National Year of Astronomy at UNESCO. It was the first year the International Youth Camp on Astronomy and World Heritage was held.

The summer camp is open to all students between the ages of 13 and 20 who are interested in astronomy and world heritage.

The objective of the camp is to teach young people about astronomy and world heritage and to give them the opportunity to discover different cultures in a friendly atmosphere.

Participants will also visit the Classical Gardens at Suzhou's World Heritage site and discuss hot topics about how world heritage is related to peace, the environment and tourism.



## International Astronomical Youth Camp

The International Astronomical Youth Camp (IAYC) is an annual three-week summer camp for young people with an interest in astronomy.

Established in 1969, it has been held at more than 30 locations in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East. The main goals of the camp are for participants to promote knowledge of astronomy and related sciences in an international atmosphere.

About 70 participants between the ages of 16 and 24 live together for three weeks and work on astronomical projects in groups.

The IAYC attracts all kinds of participants, from those who enjoy amateur astronomy to professionals. Every participant forms an integral piece in the complex puzzle that is camp life.

As participants come from many countries, English is the camp language. Therefore campers will need to speak English throughout the entire camp. This is to encourage people from different countries and language backgrounds to spend time together.

Participants are divided into work groups that deal with a specific fields of astronomy. Each group has its own leader. Members work individually or in groups of two to three on a project that has to do with the work group's theme.

The IAYC is not the only youth camp that focuses on astronomy: the Astronomical Adventure Camp and Astronomical Summer Camp in held annually in Germany. Youths from neighboring countries can also participate in events like the Youngsters Working Group for Astronomy in the Netherlands and Youth Astronomy Research Camp in Slovenia.







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# Blueprint

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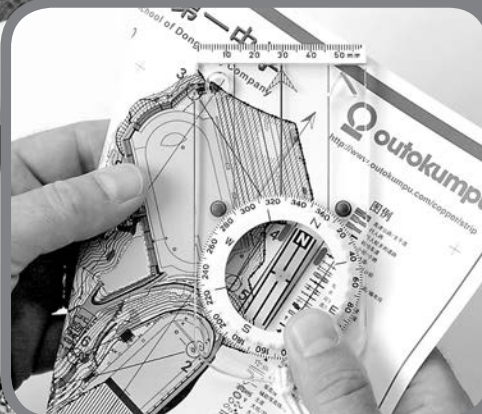
## BYCI market niche:

- ★ Connecting youth with nature
- ★ Outdoor sports and diversified leisure sports paradise
- ★ Comprehensive outdoor sports base, including hiking, mountain biking and orienteering
- ★ Facilities for camping and outdoor competition
- ★ New business models exploring social enterprise.



## BYCI functions:

- ★ Camping
- ★ Hiking, bicycling, ATV-riding
- ★ Rock climbing, Paintball, etc.
- ★ International cooperation: communication between domestic and overseas outdoors lovers
- ★ Competition: international orienteering and others



## BYCI commission:

- ★ Within three years, the group will build a large outdoor camping center in Miyuan District and several activity centers in the downtown area.

## BYCI 2013 plans:

- ★ By the end of this year, BYCI will have a 1,000-square-meter office and 10,000-square-meter display area in Red Scarf Park and build Beijing Youth Camp International bases.







#### Wonderful life – fun and teamwork

- ★ Paintball team-building
- ★ Farming experience
- ★ National defense education and military training
- ★ Camping



#### Song of youth – creative activities

- ★ Youth outdoor readings
- ★ Storytelling in the forest
- ★ Burying a dream pot – Treasure hunt



#### Window of the world – international communication

- ★ Sino-American Youth Summer and Winter Camp
- ★ Sino-Spanish 40-year diplomatic relationship youth visit



#### Spread your wings – education and training

- ★ Bio-scientific education
- ★ Outdoor safety and first aid
- ★ Reporting
- ★ Special box

Our thoughts and prayers are with the victims of the Ya'an earthquake. BYCI is preparing outdoor safety and first aid courses for the young students.